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Board Plans Hearing on State's Forest and Rangeland Policy Board of Forestry and Fire Protection Seeks Public Testimony at Sept. 14 Meeting in Redding

Sacramento – The California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection is conducting a hearing to discuss the future course for forest and rangeland management throughout the state.

The hearing will be part of the Board's regular meeting, which begins at 8 a.m. September 14 at the Redding City Council Chambers.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code §4789.4, the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection must prepare a forest resource policy statement upon review of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Fire and Resource Assessment Program (FRAP) Forest and Rangeland Resource Assessment .

The Public Resources Code §4789.4(b) states: "Such policy statement shall recognize distinct differences between the various public and various private owners of forest resources in the state and should include, insofar as possible, the following:

- (1) *A delineation of specific needs and opportunities for promoting both public and private forest resource management programs in California.*
- (2) *A discussion of priorities for accomplishment of program opportunities, with specified costs, results, and possible constraints on implementation.*
- (3) *An analysis of the relation of the alternative forest resource policies to employment opportunities in California.*

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection invites all interested parties to attend this hearing for the purpose of providing constructive input toward the Board's development of a comprehensive policy statement.

The Redding City Council Chambers is located at 777 Cypress Avenue in Redding.

Directions: from Interstate 5 (North or South) in Redding, take Cypress Avenue exit (Exit 677) and head West on East Cypress Avenue to 777 Cypress Avenue.

Additional information may be obtained from George Gentry Executive Officer, at (916) 653-8007 or on the Board's website at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/board/board_current_docs.aspx

The full text of the Fire and Resource Assessment Program's (FRAP), Forest and Rangeland Resource Assessment 2007 may be found at: www.frap.cdf.ca.gov/assessment2003/Assessment_Summary/assessment_summary.html

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